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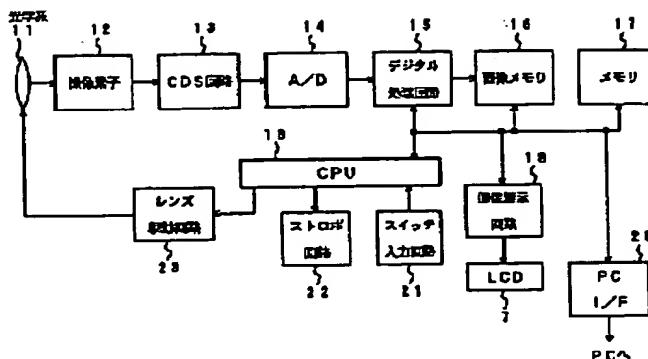
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TITLE : DIGITAL CAMERA



ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide the digital camera suitable for recycling with a simple method.

SOLUTION: The digital camera is provided with a photographing optical system 11, an image pickup element 12 that photographs an object via the photographing optical system 11, a digital processing circuit 15 that processes an image signal obtained by photographing, an image memory 16 that stores the processed image information and a memory 17 that stores replacing period data to discriminate an replacing period of each of components and units. Thus, th camera system suitable for recycle is provided by allowing even a service enterprise receiving the digital camera to easily recognize the propriety of consecutive usage of the camera and the component replacing period by providing the memory 17 to the inside of the digital camera.

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